

Criminal Justice Services, Division of

Mission

The mission of the Division of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) is to enhance public safety by providing resources and services that inform decision-making and improve the quality of the criminal justice system.

DCJS is a multi-function criminal justice agency with extensive responsibilities including collection and analysis of statewide crime data; acting as the State's repository of criminal history records; administration of Federal and State funds that support local criminal justice programs; and administration of the State's Sex Offender Registry and DNA Databank. DCJS also measures progress towards the goal of crime reduction, and tracks the effectiveness of both agency and system-wide criminal justice strategies designed to enhance public safety.

Organization and Staffing

The Division of Criminal Justice Services is located in Albany and is headed by a Commissioner who is appointed by the Governor, subject to Senate confirmation.

A multi-function support agency, DCJS has 12 offices: Administration; Criminal Justice Records; Forensic Services; Internal Audit and Compliance; Justice Research and Performance; Youth Justice; Legal Services; Probation and Correctional Alternatives; Program Development and Funding; Public Safety; Sex Offender Management; and the State Identification Bureau.

The agency's responsibilities include, but are not limited to: law enforcement training; collection and analysis of statewide crime data; maintenance of criminal history information and fingerprint files; administrative oversight of the state's DNA Databank, in partnership with the New York State Police; funding and oversight of probation and community correction programs; administration of Federal and State criminal justice funds; support of criminal justice-related agencies across the State; and administration of the State's Sex Offender Registry. DCJS also measures the performance of its criminal justice initiatives to ensure that the investments in programs are both cost-efficient and effective in meeting their goals.

Budget Highlights

The FY 2024 Executive Budget recommends \$659.5 million (All Funds) for the Division of Criminal Justice Services (\$90.4 million in State Operations, \$466.1 million in Local Assistance, and \$103 million in Capital Funds), representing an increase of \$63.4 million from the FY 2023 Budget. This increase is largely attributed to major public safety investments to reduce gun violence and protect our communities from other violent crime. These critical investments include: doubling the support for the State's Gun Involved Violence Elimination (GIVE) program, funding for the hiring of hundreds of new prosecutors, and support to combat the flow of fentanyl in our communities. The Executive Budget recommends a workforce of 418 FTEs, an increase of 3 FTEs compared to the FY 2023 budget.

Program Highlights

Crime Prevention and Reduction Strategies

DCJS has made significant strides toward integrating the use of evidence-based practices that have been proven and can be empirically monitored for their effectiveness. As part of that work, the agency now provides comprehensive technical assistance and training to criminal justice partners. This evolution of the way DCJS does business is designed to allow the agency to: help ensure that proven practices are implemented as intended by criminal justice partners; monitor the effectiveness of key initiatives and programs; and ensure that the state supports programs that are not only effective, but a wise investment of taxpayer dollars.

DCJS provides direct training to law enforcement and other criminal justice professionals; oversees a law enforcement accreditation program; ensures breathalyzer and speed enforcement equipment used by local law enforcement operate correctly; manages criminal justice grant funds; analyzes statewide crime and program data; provides research support; oversees county probation departments and alternatives to incarceration programs; and coordinates juvenile justice policy.

DCJS maintains criminal history records and fingerprint files and performs background checks for employment and licensure. The agency also administers the State's Sex Offender Registry; the Missing Persons Clearinghouse; the State's DNA Databank in cooperation with the New York State Police Forensic Investigation Center; and provides staff support to independently appointed commissions and councils, including the New York State Commission on Forensic Science, which monitors and accredits the State's forensic laboratories.

**ALL FUNDS
APPROPRIATIONS
(dollars)**

Category	Available FY 2023	Appropriations Recommended FY 2024	Change From FY 2023	Reappropriations Recommended FY 2024
State Operations	87,766,253	90,435,000	2,668,747	112,803,000
Aid To Localities	398,371,000	466,080,000	67,709,000	563,197,927
Capital Projects	110,000,000	103,000,000	(7,000,000)	160,000,000
Total	596,137,253	659,515,000	63,377,747	836,000,927

**ALL FUND TYPES
PROJECTED LEVELS OF EMPLOYMENT BY PROGRAM
FILLED ANNUAL SALARIED POSITIONS**

Program	FY 2023 Estimated FTEs 03/31/23	FY 2024 Estimated FTEs 03/31/24	FTE Change
Administration			
General Fund	62	62	0
Crime Prevention and Reduction Strategies			
General Fund	331	334	3
Special Revenue Funds - Federal	20	20	0
Special Revenue Funds - Other	2	2	0
Total	415	418	3

**STATE OPERATIONS
ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY FUND TYPE
APPROPRIATIONS
(dollars)**

Fund Type	Available FY 2023	Recommended FY 2024	Change
General Fund	41,433,741	44,076,000	2,642,259
Special Revenue Funds - Federal	21,497,866	21,516,000	18,134
Special Revenue Funds - Other	24,834,646	24,843,000	8,354
Total	87,766,253	90,435,000	2,668,747
Adjustments:			
Transfer(s) From			
Special Pay Bill			
General Fund	(724,253)		
Appropriated FY 2023	87,042,000		

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STATE OPERATIONS
ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY PROGRAM
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Program	Available FY 2023	Recommended FY 2024	Change
Administration			
General Fund	11,620,000	11,840,000	220,000
Crime Prevention and Reduction Strategies			
General Fund	29,813,741	32,236,000	2,422,259
Special Revenue Funds - Federal	21,497,866	21,516,000	18,134
Special Revenue Funds - Other	24,834,646	24,843,000	8,354
Total	87,766,253	90,435,000	2,668,747

STATE OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND
SUMMARY OF PERSONAL SERVICE APPROPRIATIONS AND CHANGES
FY 2024 RECOMMENDED
(dollars)

Program	Total		Personal Service Regular (Annual Salaried)	
	Amount	Change	Amount	Change
Administration	8,632,000	220,000	8,628,000	220,000
Crime Prevention and Reduction Strategies	23,844,000	222,259	23,760,000	222,259
Total	32,476,000	442,259	32,388,000	442,259

Program	Temporary Service (Nonannual Salaried)		Holiday/Overtime Pay	
	Amount	Change	Amount	Change
Administration	0	0	4,000	0
Crime Prevention and Reduction Strategies	15,000	0	69,000	0
Total	15,000	0	73,000	0

STATE OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND
SUMMARY OF NONPERSONAL SERVICE AND MAINTENANCE UNDISTRIBUTED
APPROPRIATIONS AND CHANGES
FY 2024 RECOMMENDED
(dollars)

Program	Total		Supplies and Materials	
	Amount	Change	Amount	Change
Administration	3,208,000	0	500,000	0
Crime Prevention and Reduction Strategies	8,392,000	2,200,000	740,000	0
Total	11,600,000	2,200,000	1,240,000	0

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Program	Travel		Contractual Services	
	Amount	Change	Amount	Change
Administration	77,000	0	2,000,000	0
Crime Prevention and Reduction Strategies	500,000	0	6,848,000	2,200,000
Total	577,000	0	8,848,000	2,200,000

Program	Equipment	
	Amount	Change
Administration	631,000	0
Crime Prevention and Reduction Strategies	304,000	0
Total	935,000	0

**STATE OPERATIONS - OTHER THAN GENERAL FUND
SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS AND CHANGES
FY 2024 RECOMMENDED
(dollars)**

Program	Total		Personal Service	
	Amount	Change	Amount	Change
Crime Prevention and Reduction Strategies	46,359,000	26,488	9,279,000	14,000
Total	46,359,000	26,488	9,279,000	14,000

Program	Nonpersonal Service	
	Amount	Change
Crime Prevention and Reduction Strategies	37,080,000	12,488
Total	37,080,000	12,488

**AID TO LOCALITIES
ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY FUND TYPE
APPROPRIATIONS
(dollars)**

Fund Type	Available FY 2023	Recommended FY 2024	Change
General Fund	291,387,000	359,096,000	67,709,000
Special Revenue Funds - Federal	29,900,000	29,900,000	0
Special Revenue Funds - Other	77,084,000	77,084,000	0
Total	398,371,000	466,080,000	67,709,000

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Program	Available FY 2023	Recommended FY 2024	Change
Crime Prevention and Reduction Strategies			
General Fund	291,387,000	359,096,000	67,709,000
Special Revenue Funds - Federal	29,900,000	29,900,000	0
Special Revenue Funds - Other	77,084,000	77,084,000	0
Total	398,371,000	466,080,000	67,709,000

CAPITAL PROJECTS
ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY PROGRAM
APPROPRIATIONS
(dollars)

Comprehensive Construction Program	Available FY 2023	Recommended FY 2024	Change	Reappropriations FY 2024
Safety and Security Projects for at Risk Facilities				
Capital Projects Fund	35,000,000	50,000,000	15,000,000	60,000,000
Capital Projects Fund - Authority Bonds	75,000,000	53,000,000	(22,000,000)	100,000,000
Total	110,000,000	103,000,000	(7,000,000)	160,000,000

Note: Most recent estimates as of 02/01/2023